



Groundwater Sampling Scheduled for the Depot Community this Summer

June 2003—As part of the Memphis Depot's ongoing environmental cleanup program, additional groundwater monitoring wells will be installed at three locations in the Memphis Depot community. Work is scheduled to begin June 23, 2003 with an expected completion date of July 11, 2003.

The off-site locations where groundwater monitoring wells will be installed are near the following areas:

- At the southeast corner of Person Avenue and Hays Street
- At a site near the end of McLean Street, and
- On private property north of Dunn Field.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and its contractors will conduct the groundwater sampling to monitor groundwater conditions in off-site locations near the Depot property. The Memphis Depot Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team (BCT) will use the sampling data to monitor changes in groundwater conditions over time, as a result of cleanup activities in the shallow aquifer.

A drilling company, Boart/Longyear will assist the sampling team to install the additional monitoring wells, which will allow the contractor, Jacobs Engineering, to gather samples from various depths below the ground surface. The drilling equipment will consist of a large drill rig and a support truck. The project team will include three drillers and a geologist/supervisor. The Depot anticipates drilling no more than 3 days at each location, and the team will make every effort to minimize noise and disturbance to the community.

An update of the installation of the monitoring wells will be presented at the next Restoration Advisory Board meeting on October 16, 2003, at 6 p.m. at the South Memphis Senior Citizens Center, 1620 Marjorie Street.

If you have further questions, please call the Memphis Depot Community Relations Office at (901) 544-0613.